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**TRANSMITTAL COVER SHEET**

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are the following:

1. STATUS INQUIRY.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required for the filing of this request to **Deposit Account No. 501874**.

Respectfully submitted,

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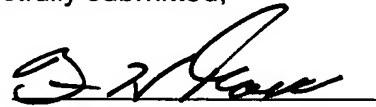
Sir:

The above-identified U.S. patent application was filed in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 14, 2003 and a Filing Receipt was received by our office on February 10, 2004. As of this date, no Official Action has been received by Applicant.

Applicant therefore respectfully requests information regarding the status of the instant application.

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